

**SLOT MACHINE GAME HAVING A PLURALITY OF WAYS
FOR A USER TO OBTAIN PAYOUTS BASED ON
SELECTION OF ONE OR MORE SYMBOLS (POWER PAYS)**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

By using any starting position and all of the possible directions, the symbols displayed result in multiple Contiguous Symbol combinations, such as:

A(1)-A(3)-A(4), A(4)-A(5)-A(6), A(2)-A(3)-A(4)-A(5)-A(6), and A(6)-A(5)-A(4)-A(3)-A(2)-A(1). By limiting the starting position to the left-most column, as is the case in one embodiment of the game, the symbols displayed result in the following four combinations:

A(1)-A(2), A(3)-A(2), A(3)-A(4)-A(5)-A(6), and H-H-H-H.

By limiting the directions to horizontal and vertical, in another game embodiment, the symbols displayed result in the following two Contiguous Symbol combinations: **A(1)-A(2), and A(4)-A(5)-A(6).** Clearly, varying starting positions and combinations of directions results in a wide variety of number and types of Contiguous Symbols combinations, of predetermined symbol combinations which are/are not adjacent.